

ACTIVITY SHEET

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Platoon #2**M/S # S11-006****Victim: Ellen GREENBERG (27 W/F)****Date: 01-28-2011****Suprv: Lt. Bell / Sgt. Cooney****Assigned: Det. Sierra #9103****ORIGIN:**

On Wednesday, January 26th, 2011, approximately 6:33PM, Officers from the 5th Police District responded to a radio call reporting a "Hospital Case" at 4601 Flat Rock Road, Apt. #603. Upon entering the property they discovered the decedent Ellen Greenberg (27 W/F), on the kitchen floor resting against the floor cabinets, with a kitchen type knife protruding from her chest. Further observations reveal several other superficial wounds on the decedent. The decedent was pronounced at 6:40PM by Medic #5. The body was transported to the Office of the Medical Examiner and a Post Mortem examination was conducted by Dr. Osbourne, who made a determination that cause of death was multiple stab wounds and manner of death was ruled Homicide.

BODY:

Although the body was viewed by Homicide Personnel on the night it was originally reported, the initial investigation was conducted by members of Northwest Detective Division. The following description is based on observations and notes provided by Investigator Olszewski from Office of the Medical Examiner's office.

The body was lying on the kitchen floor area, just to the right of the door entrance. The decedent was a white female, approximately twenty seven years old, 5'6", and 125lbs, with black shoulder length hair. She was dressed in a long sleeve dark gray hooded sweat shirt with a zipper front, light grey sweat pants, and tan UGG boots. All her clothing and boots appeared to be blood stained. In the grasp of her left hand was an off white colored towel with no visible signs of blood stains. Lying on the floor next to her right hand was a pair of eyeglasses and on her right wrist was a black hair tie scrunchie. The decedent was lying in the supine position with her head facing slightly-north and her legs west. Her head and shoulders were up against the bottom portion of the floor cabinets. Multiple stab wounds, some appearing to be superficial, were observed on her chest including one that had a kitchen type knife protruding from it. The decedent's face was also covered in blood.

SCENE:

On Friday, January 28th, 2011, Sgt. Cooney and Detectives Marano, Kane, Byard, and Lucke, Homicide Division, along with Officers Fidler, Tull, and Mujica, Crime Scene Unit arrived at the scene located inside apartment 603 of the Venice Lofts Apartments, located at 4601 Flat Rock Road and executed Search & Seizure Warrant #155286. Also present was Melissa Ware, Manager of Venice Lofts Apts. and Idel Rodriguez, Maintenance Supervisor, of Venice Lofts Apts. The apartments located at 4601 Flat Rock Road are located in the 5th Police District, P.S.A. #2, and within Northwest Detective Division. Apartment #603 is located on the sixth floor a short distance from the elevators. The apartment has a tan door with the number 603 on the wall to the left of the door and a Jewish religious prayer inside a glass container to the right of the door. The lock on the inside of the lock was damaged with the screws having been partially pulled out. Entering the apartment and turning to your left there is a bathroom and walking north you enter a bedroom which was converted to a family room /work area. This room consisted of a closet inside the bedroom door, a sofa and foot rest along the north wall, a table with four chairs along the south wall of the room and a flat screen TV sitting on the floor along the east wall. On the table there were school test papers and other school papers. Inside the closet of this room was a small round Rubbermaid Stainshield container containing two plastic sandwich baggies, which contained a green weedy and seedy substance believed to be marijuana. A smoker's bong was also sitting behind the closet door, which is also commonly used to smoke marijuana. Entering the apartment, to your right is the kitchen area that looks into the living room area. Between the living room and kitchen was a counter top and three bar stools on the living room side of the counter. The kitchen consisted of a counter top and a sink with counter space along the north wall of the kitchen which is between the kitchen and the living room. Along the east wall of the kitchen is the stove with a microwave above it and cabinets and counter space. Along the south wall of the kitchen were the

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refrigerator, and washer/dryer and two trash cans. There was blood stains on the kitchen cabinet door next to the microwave, on the handle of the freezer door of the refrigerator, and on the kitchen counter next to the stove. In the living room there was an L shaped sofa along the east wall and a coffee table in front of it. Along the west wall was an entertainment center with a flat screen TV sitting on top of it. Along the east wall of the living room is the bedroom door for another bedroom. In this bedroom was a bed with end tables on both sides of the bed along the east wall, a chest of drawers with a flat screen sitting on it were along the west wall. Along the south wall there was another chest of drawers and two chairs along the north wall. On the bed there were three pillows with spots of blood on them. Removed from the chest of drawers along the south wall was a silver ring with a large diamond. Lying on the floor between the bed and the chairs was assorted clothing and a pair of shoes which was recovered by personnel of the C.S.U. While inside the bed room and walking south will lead you past another closet and into another bathroom. A latent print examination was conducted and the scene was photographed and sketched by the C.S.U.

CIVILIAN INTERVIEWS:

On January 26, 2011 **Samuel H. GOLDBERG (28 W/M)** was interviewed by Northwest Detective Division – Detective Revell #9020 at NWDD Hqt's and he related the following in summary: He related that he arrived home around 1:30pm and Ellie, his fiancé, the decedent was already home. He claimed that she had recently been upset about her job as a school teacher and had wanted to quit. As she started to grade school papers he proceeded to leave the apartment to go to the gym located on the ground floor of Venice Lofts Apartments at about 4:45pm. He claimed he worked out for approximately 30 minutes on the treadmill and did some sit-ups for a minute. When he returned to the apartment approximately about 5:20pm, the door was locked. He said he used his keys to open the door but that the inside latch was in place so he couldn't get the door open. He claimed he called out to the decedent but received no response. He then proceeded to look for a maintenance person named Phil to assist him in opening the door with no success. He returned to the apartment and forced open the door. When he entered he observed the decedent lying on the kitchen floor. He related he immediately called 911 who instructed him to perform CPR. As he went to attempt CPR he noticed the decedent had a knife in her chest so he was advised to wait for rescue. He also related that the decedent was taking prescribed psychiatric medication as a result of her stress related to her job.

On Friday, January 28, 2011 **Idel Junior Rodriguez (36 W/L/M)** was interviewed by Detectives Lucke & Byard at Venice Loft Apartments – 4601 Flatrock Rd in Apt 218 and he related the following in summary: He related that on Wednesday, January 26, 2011 he received a call at home from the concierge Philip Hauton. Philip had called him inquiring if there was a special tool to open the door latch when locked from inside. He advised him if the door latch was locked someone had to be inside. Then Samuel Goldberg spoke with him on the phone and requested if he could kick the door in. Idel suggested just give it a shoulder because there were only four screws in the door latch. He also related that Samuel sounded like he was concerned about his fiancé.

On Friday, January 28, 2011 **Philip Hauton (59 B/M)** was interviewed by Detectives Lucke & Byard at Venice Loft Apartments – 4601 Flatrock Rd in Apt 218 and he related the following in summary: He related he was working as the concierge at the apartment complex on Wednesday, January 26, 2011. He related that Samuel had come to the front desk asking about a special tool to open the security latch to his apartment door. Samuel told him his door was locked from inside and he was trying to reach out to his fiancé. Mr Hauton told him that maybe she was asleep and that he would attempt to call the apartment via phone from his desk. He advised Samuel to go back upstairs and that he would call the apartment which he did about 4 or 5 times only to get the answering machine. He remembers Samuel leaving the front desk area and walking into the lobby doing something on his phone, which he assumed he was also trying to contact his fiancé. Samuel returned to the front desk and this time was a bit more persistent about inquiring if there was a tool

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CIVILIAN INTERVIEWS CONT:

to open the door latch. He claims Samuel appeared to be more agitated at this point. So he called the maintenance supervisor Idel and gave Samuel the phone. Samuel left the area and shortly thereafter he remembers seeing a fire truck pull up who told him they were headed to apartment 603. He informed the leasing manager and informed her of the fireman's arrival.

On Friday, January 28th, 2011, **Mark Hinrichs (33 W/M)**, was interviewed by Det. Kane inside the Homicide Division and related the following in summary: That on Wednesday, January 26th, 2011 at approx. 6:00PM he arrived at his apartment, apartment [REDACTED] located inside the Venice Lofts Apartments located at 4601 Flat Rock Road. As he was walking towards his apartment he noticed a male that lived in apartment #603 (later identified as Samuel Goldberg) banging on the door of his apartment and yelling, "Ellen, Ellen, open the door." Hinrichs went into his apartment and closed the door. Approx. thirty minutes later Hinrichs again heard Goldberg and this time he heard Goldberg say that she was bleeding from the head, there was a lot of blood and there was a knife. Hinrichs looked out the peep hole in his door and saw Goldberg on the phone, pacing up and down the hallway. Hinrichs cracked his door and continued listening to Goldberg on the phone. During this time Goldberg would burst out crying and then he would stop and then he would burst out crying again and stop. Hinrichs heard Goldberg say that she was depressed and was on new medication and that she was depressed by something at school.

On Friday, January 28th, 2011, **Melissa Ware (37 W/F)**, was interviewed by Detectives Marano and Kane inside 4601 Flat Rock Road and related the following in summary: She is the Regional Property Manager of the Venice Lofts Apartments located at 4601 Flat Rock Road. On January 26th, 2011, at approx. 6:30PM, the concierge knocked on her office door and told her that emergency personnel had entered the building and were going to apartment #603. Ware took two police officers who had arrived to apartment #603. When she arrived with the two officers she saw Samuel Goldberg sitting in the hallway with another officer and EMT personnel.

On Friday, January 28, 2011, **Brandon Swartout (24 W/M)** was interviewed by Detective Marano inside 4601 Flat Rock Road and related the following in summary: He related on Wednesday, January 26, 2011 approximately 5:30-4:55PM, he was getting off elevator and could hear some commotion. He heard Samuel knocking on the door and pleading for someone to let him in the apartment. He claims Samuel had been banging on the door for a while approximately 15 minutes. He claimed he could hear Samuel talking to several people on the phone while trying to gain access into apartment. Later as he walked by the apartment to take out some trash, he informed Samuel that the front desk should have a universal key to gain access. He related that Samuel told him the door was secured by the latch from inside the apartment. When he passed by the apartment, he noticed that the door was clearly secured with the latch from inside the apartment.

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POLICE INTERVIEWS:

On January 27th, 2011, P/O YOUNG #6960, 5th District, was interviewed by Detective Schmidt and related the following in summary: On January 26th, 2011, at approx. 6:33PM he responded to a radio call of a "Person with a Weapon" at 4601 Flat Rock Road. Upon arrival at that location the officer met Samuel Goldberg who stated that he is the fiancé of Ellen Greenberg and he found her with a knife in her chest after he came back from the gym. The officer entered the apartment and observed a female on the floor with a knife in her chest. The officer asked personnel of Medic #5 what was the female's condition and they stated that the female was pronounced at 6:40PM. The officer returned to Samuel Goldberg and asked him what happened and Goldberg stated that he was down at the gym working out and when he returned he knocked on the door and there was no answer. He also tried calling and texting Greenberg but got no answer. Goldberg decided to get the property manager to open the door. Once the door was unlocked there was a secondary lock that prevented the door from being opened. Goldberg then kicked the door open and entered the apartment and found the decedent lying on the floor in the kitchen. Goldberg then called 911. The officer then told Goldberg that Greenberg had died of her wound. The officer then made the notifications and held the scene.

On January 28th, 2011, P/O Snipes #6158, 5th District, was interviewed by Detective Buckley and related the following in summary: On January 26th, 2011, at approx. 6:33PM she responded to a radio call of a "Person with a Weapon" inside apartment #603 of the Venice Lofts Apts., located at 4601 Flat Rock Road. Upon arrival at that location she was informed that the victim was pronounced at 6:40PM and she sustained a stab wound to the chest. As the officer entered the apartment she observed a white female to the right of the door, propped up in a partial sitting position in the kitchen with a knife in her left chest. The officer then spoke to P/O Young who was with a white male, later identified as Samuel Goldberg. Goldberg stated that he had gone to the gym and when he returned he had to force the door because she would not answer the door and then he found her on the kitchen floor. Goldberg then called 911. The officer then secured the scene and maintained the crime scene log and made the notifications. The officer remained at the scene until relieved.

On January 28th, 2011, P/O Ransome #7202, 5th District, was interviewed by Detective Venson and related the following in summary: On January 26th, 2011, at approx. 6:33PM he responded to a radio call of a "Person with a Weapon" at 4601 Flat Rock Road. Upon arrival at that location the officer observed a white female lying in the kitchen area of her apartment with a knife in her chest. The officer asked the medics what her condition was and they stated that she was pronounced at 6:40PM. The officer returned to the hallway and started knocking on the neighbors doors and asking if they heard anything. The officer remained on the scene until Northwest Detectives and Homicide arrived.

On January 28th, 2011, Sgt. Williford #8718, 5th District, was interviewed by Detective Bass and related the following in summary: On January 26th, 2011, the Sergeant responded to a radio call of a "Stabbing, a female stabbed in the chest in apartment #603, inside 4601 Flat Rock Road, Rescue enroute." Upon arrival at that location the Sergeant learned that the officers had the scene secured and the victim's boyfriend was in the hallway. The Sergeant entered the apartment and observed a white female lying on her back obviously dead with the handle of a knife protruding from the left center area of her chest. The Sergeant then went into the hallway and spoke to the victim's boyfriend, identified as Samuel Goldberg. Goldberg stated that he went to the gym in the apartment building and when he returned the door was locked and he didn't have his keys. Goldberg stated that his family was downstairs because he called them but didn't call his girlfriend's family.

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ACTIONS TAKEN

- Investigative Packaged faxed over From Northwest Detective
- Search & Seizure Warrant secured for 4601 Flatrock Road Apt# 603 Phila. Pa. 19127 & executed on Friday, January, 28, 2011
- Numerous articles of clothing secured by Crime Scene Unit
- Silver Colored Engagement ring recovered from dresser in master bedroom
- Misc School supplies recovered from apartment along with \$66.50 in USC for School Trip to Franklin Institute to be returned to School District personnel.
- A Box of business papers belonging to decedent were secured
- ~~-A round plastic Rubbermaid container containing alleged marijuana and a Smoker's Bong removed from closet in bedroom setup up as an office.~~
- Neighborhood Interviews attempted with negative results initially
- Decedent's two laptop computers and cell phone in addition to Samuel's Laptop Computer dropped off by Attorney / Uncle representing Samuel Goldberg "James Schwartzman" of Stevens & Lee Law Firm on Saturday, January 29, 2011.
- The assigned net with Dr. Osbourne concerning his preliminary findings ruling manner of death a homicide. Dr. Osbourne concluded that his autopsy examination was not complete and further examination of the decedent's spinal injury with be conducted.
- Medical records were obtained by the Medical Examiner's office from Dr. Ellen Berman, Psychologist to the decedent and forwarded to the assigned.

Investigation Continues...

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